

REMARKS

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, each claim has been provided with the proper status identifier and a clarification of the amendments that Applicant wishes to make to the claims. The claims now comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.121(c). Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

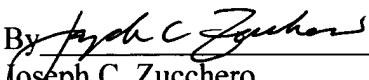
CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that all claims are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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